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UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING

About two dozen people representing Stritch faculty, staff, students and partners gathered together on July 14-15 at the new City Center to work on updating the strategic and financial plan for the University.



Many topics were discussed, under the skilled guidance of Dr. Peter Holbrook, executive director of Leadership and Organizational Learning, from undergraduate residence hall rooms to the perception of Stritch by students and faculty at remote sites.

The group was not abandoning the 2007-2012 strategic and financial plan, but gathered to refine it. The University's mission has not changed, and it remains committed to transforming lives through value-centered education. The team examined the work that has been accomplished, outlined the work that still needs to be done and began setting directions for the future. As Holbrook pointed out, a strategic plan is a living document that should be reviewed and reworked as needed.

The discussions resulted in the following conclusions about the state of the University and where Stritch hopes to be positioned in the future.

Our vision:

We will continue to be a comprehensive, mission-driven Franciscan university that serves traditional students in a managed way with an increased emphasis on adult learners through the creation of a vibrant, sustainable environment that is responsive to the needs of the community.

Strategic goals – How will we build the organization?

- Building strategic partnerships
- Enhancing our physical facilities
- Matching programs, services and space to serve existing and emerging demographics and strategic goals
- Creating an infrastructure (human, fiscal, structural, systems) that supports and serves us in achieving our goals
- Improving our technology for management and instruction
- Creating systems and modeling scenarios to support data-driven evaluations and decisions
- Implementing and practicing sound, viable fiscal policy ("How we get it. How we spend it.")

The plan is still developing and more detail will be shared with the Stritch community in the coming months, but this is a start and a direction the planning team believes will serve Cardinal Stritch University, its students and its communities well going forward.

The revised strategic and financial plan is available on MyStritch. After logging in, click on the Employee Info tab, then again on the Strategic Plan tab on the left side of the screen.

STRITCH'S VALUE OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2009-10: CREATING A CARING COMMUNITY

The Franciscan value of the academic year for 2009-10, which begins Aug. 1, is Creating a Caring Community.

Stritch faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends are invited to help creatively utilize, sustain and build awareness of this value in their areas of responsibility. There is a group composed of students, faculty and staff that meets periodically to explore ways to educate and promote this value. In addition to departmental initiatives, this value group will present opportunities to highlight the value throughout the year, including reminders that display when logging on to campus computers.

Each of the four Franciscan values at Stritch has working groups to promote a value. Students, faculty and staff members are welcome to join these groups.

Aspects of creating a caring community at Stritch are:

- Respecting each individual and his/her dignity
- Offering hospitality, courtesy, kindness and friendship to others
- Fostering loving relationships and seeking good in one another

These aspects invite awareness and responsiveness at all times. They evoke consciousness of and sensitivity to others – students, faculty, staff, co-workers or visitors.

Banners that highlight creating a caring community will be placed around campus over the next week. In addition, bound booklets are available from the Office of Mission and Identity that include prayers, meeting norms, blessings, quotations, resources, and opportunities for service. They also will have bookmarks that include a prayer centered on service.

For more information or to request materials, contact Father Jim Gannon, OFM, at jggannon@stritch.edu or Sister Mary Jeanne Michels at michelsmj@stritch.edu.



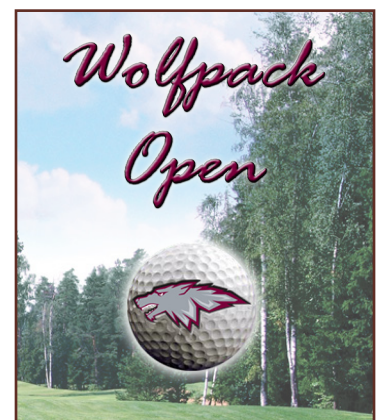
STRITCH GOLF OUTING AUG. 28

Stritch Athletics will offer its first-ever golf outing to benefit the Stritch Baseball program on Friday, Aug. 28 at the Songbird Hills Golf Club in Hartland, Wis.

The day will include 18 holes of golf with cart, hole events, two beverage tickets, a sandwich-on-the-go with chips, raffles and awards, and dinner after all golfing has concluded. The cost is \$110 per golfer or \$400 per team.

The registration deadline is Friday, Aug. 14. To download the registration form, please visit http://www.stritch.edu/uploadedFiles/Student_Life/Athletics/Athletic_Programs/2009%20Wolfpack%20Golf%20Outing%20Brochure.pdf.

For more information, contact Michael Zolecki, head baseball coach, at (414) 410-4519.



SECOND ANNUAL MATRICULATION CEREMONY TO BE HELD AUG. 18 IN NANCY KENDALL THEATER

President Dr. Helen Sobehart will preside over the second annual Matriculation Ceremony held for incoming freshmen and their parents, guardians, and friends at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18, in the Nancy Kendall Theater. This ceremony will kick off new student orientation and is the formal welcome and acceptance of the freshmen as Stritch students and scholars.

This ceremony will be brief (less than an hour) and will feature a blessing by Father Jim Gannon, OFM, while Dr. Sobehart, Provost Dr. Dan Blankenship, Trustee David Hawke, SGA

President Kathryn Foley and others will offer formal words officially welcoming students into the Stritch community.

Faculty members are asked to bring academic regalia and participate in the ceremony, which will be followed by a brief reception in the theater lobby. A new student orientation

dinner will take place at 6 p.m. in the Sister Camille Kliebhan Conference Center, simultaneous to a special session for parents in the Nancy Kendall Theater.

For more information or if you have questions, contact Jenny Nichols at (414) 410-4203 or jrnichols@stritch.edu.

2009 New Student Orientation begins Tuesday, Aug. 18 and continues through Friday, Aug. 21. Orientation welcomes all incoming students into the University community through an introduction of campus

resources, opportunities, values and social connections. Residence hall move-in precedes the Matriculation Ceremony on Tuesday, Aug. 18. View the complete orientation schedule online at www.stritch.edu/orientation. Contact Jenni Kiekow at (414) 410-4195 or jrkiekow@stritch.edu for more information.



NEW FOOD SERVICES CATERING GUIDE AVAILABLE

A new Food Services catering guide with updated pricing is now available. To receive a PDF file of the new guide via e-mail, contact Jason Fanning, director of food service operations, at jrfanning@stritch.edu.

Prices for meals in Serra Dining Hall will increase effective Aug. 1 (see list below). According to Fanning, faculty, staff and students may also expect to see a slight increase in the pricing of some of the items available in the Student Union.

Staff and faculty

Breakfast	\$3.25
Lunch	\$4.25
Dinner	\$5.45

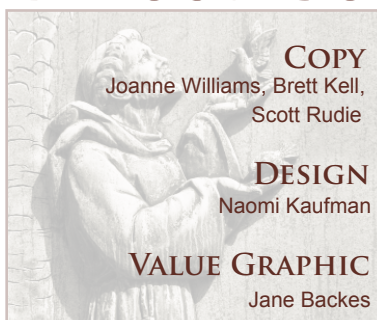
Guests and commuters

Breakfast	\$3.90
Lunch	\$5.30
Dinner	\$6.90

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